

<b>NEW UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> <i>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))</i>	<b>Docket No.</b> 23742-011 <hr/> <b>Total pages in this submission</b> <hr/>
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**TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**  
**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application, for an invention entitled:

"DRIVE DISCONNECT DEVICE"

And invented by:

Rodney Stuart HOWARD

**IF A CONTINUATION APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply requisite information:

☐ Continuation      ☐ Divisional

☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application Nos.: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed are:

**Application Elements**

1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 13 pages(s) and including the following:
  - a. ☐ Related applications
  - b. ☐ Claim to priority
  - c. ☐ Statement regarding Federally-sponsored research/development (*if applicable*)
  - d. ☐ Field of the invention
  - e. ☐ Background of the invention
  - f. ☐ Summary of the invention
  - g. ☐ Brief description of the drawings
  - h. ☐ Detailed description of the invention
  - i. ☒ Claims as classified below
  - j. ☒ Abstract

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**Application Elements (continued)**

3. ☒ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 113)  
☐ Formal ☒ Informal Number of sheets: 3
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration  
a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Unexecuted  
b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d) (for continuation/divisional applications only)  
c. ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
5. ☐ Incorporation by reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is Supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Computer program in microfiche
7. ☐ Genetic sequence submission (if applicable, all must be included)  
a. ☐ Paper copy  
b. ☐ Computer readable copy  
c. ☐ Statement verifying identical paper and computer readable copies

**Accompanying Application**

8. ☒ Assignment papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) statement (when there is an assignee)
10. ☐ English translation document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Acknowledgment postcard
14. ☒ Certified copy of priority document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☐ Certificate of Mailing  
☐ First Class ☐ Express Mail (Label No.: \_\_\_\_\_ )
16. ☐ Small Entity statement(s) -- # submitted \_\_\_\_\_ (if Small Entity status claimed)

**Accompanying Application (continued)**

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- Additional enclosures (please identify below):

Application Data Sheet

**Fee Calculation and Transmittal**

The filing fee for this utility patent application is calculated and transmitted as follows:

☒ Large Entity ☐ Small Entity

<b><u>CLAIMS AS FILED</u></b>					
For	# Filed	# Allowed	# Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	18	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	- 3 =	0	x \$84.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other Fees (specify purpose): Recordation of Assignment Fee					\$40.00
BASIC FEE					\$750.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$790.00
Reduced by 1/2 for Small Entity					

☒ Check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the total filing fee is enclosed.☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and Deposit Account No. 50-0311 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.☐ Charge the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ as filing fee.☒ Credit any overpayment.☒ Charge any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17.☐ Charge the issue fee set in 37 C.F.R. 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.31(b).

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